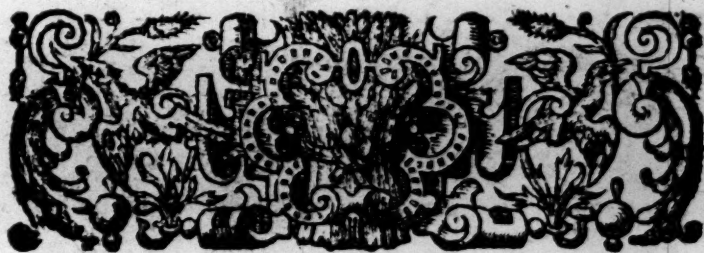


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IT is now about three yeeres since, aduice was giuen from some of good place, that *Monsier du Terrail* being much discontented, that he was not seconded in his vndertakings in the Low-countries, whereby he foresaw that in the end all would be lost, had resolved to serue the Duke of *Sauoy*, and also had openly giuen out, that hee had in his Forge a notable enterprise vpon *Geneua*. In pursute of which, he was seene shortly after to come to *Paris*, with pretence of reconciling himselfe to the Kings fauour. But good aduertisement was giuen, that hee was to come for *Sauoy*. These his dissignes were then interrupted by a Murder, hee committed in the *Louure* in presence of the
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King. Whereupon to flie the great displeasure of the King, he soone turn'd head to the *Archdukes*, from whence after some fixe Moneths stay, he vnderooke a Pilgrimage to our Lady of *Loretto*, with one *Bastide* an Inginer, whom hee tooke to him for Counsell and aide of his executions: They went a foote, and in their returne had priuate conference with the D. of *Sauoy*. Notwithstanding, the Count *Fuentes* aduised this *Terrail* otherwise, giuing him to vnderstand that the Duke would embrace his Seruice against *Geneua*, but it would bee his ouerthrow. The Duke communicated to him and his man his dissignes for *Geneua*, as shall followingly appeare by Letters, and Confessions; and from that time they rested in *Sauoy*, making two Voyages to *Turin* for the same affaire. They of *Geneua* had presently great distrust, receiuing aduertisements one in the necke of another, from all parts, of a notable, and in a maner vnauoidable enterprize against them, carried by *Monsieur du Terrail*. All the Gouvernours either of Prouinces or Places adioyning from the *French* King, gaue diuers very pregnant intelligences, but without any way discovering the meanes.

The *Sauoyards*, already sang the Triumph, causing to be inserted in an Almanacke of one of their Astrologers, the certaintie of the Act about the Moneth of May (which was the time destined to the Execution) in the end of his predictions. Which Almanacke Printed at *Lions*, was in exceeding request for this particularitie. The *French* King also aduertised the State of *Geneua*, that they should doe him a good seruice, if they could seise him, and gaue them
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this meanes, assuring them that he was about *Geneua*, or the Countrey of *Berne*, and if they could dispatch him, the Act would be to him most acceptable.

While they were in this doubtfull mist, God sent them a small light, was greater then all, which since serued them as a Keye to open to the depth of the Plot, and to conuince first the seruant of *Terrail*, and afterward himselfe. *Terrail*, hauing on a day plaide at Tennise at *Chamberi*, and retiring in his heate to rubbe and refresh himselfe, went into a bed; where, while a seruant of the Tennise Court warmed him a shirt, there came into him *Bastide*, and some other, well marked by this youth, and presented him a Paper, which was the Plot of *Geneua*, and discoursed softly among themselues, as of some matter of importance: Insomuch as the fellow ouer hearing them, name some places of the Fortresse of *Geneua*, leant his eare with more attention; and gathered for certain, that their discourse was about some Enterprise, they had against that place; and heard that *Terrail* after long conference, made no difficultie saue of the meanes to raise sufficient Force to carrie the affaire. In which point being satisfied by the assistants, hee brake out alowde in these tearmes. They are ours, they cannot escape vs. Which words being well marked by the youth of the Tennise Court, who had a Brother in the Garrison of *Geneua*, and whome he was willing to saue from this mischiefe, he went presently and discovered it to a Townesman of *Geneua*, who was then in *Chamberi* about some businesse. This Townsman made faithfull report thereof to the Magistrate of *Geneua*, and the brother of the youth.

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After this time, they of *Geneua* vsed all diligence by spies, to know his comming and going, and had him followed wherefoeuer he went. In the end they had certaine notice of his passing the Mountaines some fixe or seuen weekes before, and that hee was come backe by the way of the Lake *Leman*, wherupon they gaue present aduertisement to all the Bayliffes of the Countrey vnder the Lord of *Berne*. With the particular notes, and markes of the person of the said *Terrail*; praying them to haue an eye on him, and possesse themselues of his person, in case he passe by their Territories: for which the Magistrates of *Berne* being so assured of the practises of the Duke of *Sauoy*, against those of *Geneua* their confederates and against themselues also, gaue expresse commandement. To this came a remarkeable accident; a Deacon of *Iuerdun*, a Towne of the *Bernoys* neare the frontire of the county of *Burgoigne*, being at *Geneua* came to salute the chiefe *Syndicke* of the Towne, and brought him Letters; He, after other discourse, told him of the manifold aduertisement they had, of the enemies disseignes against *Geneua*, and the country of *Berne*, but especially the Towne of *Iuerdun*, a place of greatest importance, being the key of the whole country, strong by scituation, though ill fortified, and bounding vtmost on *Burgoigne*; He gaue him also the marks of *Terrail*, of whom they had got a Picture at *Geneua*, because he was to come in Person to take a view of the Towne. It hapned certaine dayes after, that *Terrail* returning from *Turin* passed the Lake, and arriued in the Country of *Berne*, but not at the
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known and ordinary port, went through the Country, and visiting the places of most importance, neuer lodging in Townes or knowne places, but villages & peasants houses til he came to *Iuerdun*: neither staide he there, but hauing some day left, passed on further. Passing ouer the Bridge of the Towne he met the Bayliffe with others, whom hee saluted, but they obserued him not. Being past the Bridge, making shew of stay for some other cause, hee turned backe toward *Iuerdun*, taking a diligent view of the Scite, defences, and state thereof, which was noted by them that were yet vpon the bridge, who thought hee did it onely for the marke of his way in trauell. But as he was gone a little further, the foresaid Deacon (being in a Garden) espied him comming a farre of: and obseruing his countenance began to suspect it might be *Terrail*; and to assure himselfe better, knowing that he was bald, made him a low congee to draw him to the putting of his hat, which he did; and the Deacon being now confirmed, ran presently to the Bayliffe, telling him what he thought.

All they which were by, hauing marked the countenance of *Terrail*, how he returned, and tooke suruay of the place, wished the Bailife to send after him. He immediatly dispatched two, and gaue them in charge to obserue which way he tooke. If hee went from *Burgoigne*, they should returne without farther pursuite; If toward, they should follow him to his lodging, without making any shew to know him, but onely to be confirmed in the markes of his person. There happened also, (as is assured for truth)

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another notable act, signe or argument of Gods providence. *Terrail* hauing past the village of *Villeboeuf*, which is not aboue halfe a league from the way of *Burgoigne*, to lodge in the said county that night, passing ouer a slough, his horse stucke, so that hee was faine to turne backe, and goe ouer a planke, vpon which his horse stumbling, so that hee halted, hee was faine to resolue of lodging that night in *Villeboeuf*. Hee had no guide with him, that knew the Country, which was a great cause of his surprise; For a Guide might easily haue set him in the Country betweene *Berne*, and *Friburge*, which in some places was not aboue two Harguebussé shot from him, and there he had beene in safety, through the intermixture of their iurisdiction. But at *Friburg*, hee had found all fauour, where his enterprises, had made them houer for aduantage against the *Bernoys*, vpon the great difference, which they haue had long for their land possést in common, and which the *Friburgers* would deuide to the detriment of those of the reformed religion, which is onely exercised in almost al those places. After his taking he was very sory, and more when he knew how easily he might haue been saued by this meanes. Being come to the foresaide Village of *Villeboeuf*, the two that were sent from *Iuerdun*, hauing hous'd him carefully, one of them returned with all speede to the Bayliffe, to giue him the notice, who sent presently foure hors-men, cōducted by the Captaine of the Castell of *Iuerdun*, to force him backe to the Bayliffe, and bad them strengthen themselves with the force of the Country. They at
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their arrivall in the morning found *Monsieur de Terrail* booted, and ready to take horse; to whom the Host, and other aduertised of the busines, declared that he could not passe the Mountaines, for two great *Corps de guard*, that would let no man goe vntill hee had giuen accompt of his Voyage to the Bayliffe of *Iuerdun*. This was strengthened by the Horse that came that morning, at which *Bastide* began to shew a cursing dislike of the action, *Terrail* disposed of himselfe very peaceably, to returne to *Iuerdun* with these fve or sixe Horsemen, whom with his people he might easily haue slaine, or made to quit him by flight, if he had foreseene his calamity. After his taking he repented himselfe much, that hee had not showne his great courage at this instant. But God blinded him, neither since hath beene noted in him any sparke of valour, and dexterity, whereby he might haue saued himselfe diuers times, as shall appeare in the sequell; Being returned to *Iuerdun*, and demaunded by the Bayliffe (a subtile and experienced man) what hee was? He said hee was a Gentleman of *Dauphine*, and cald *Paule de Conflans*, and going to *Lorraine* to follow a sute, which concern'd him nearely, and therefore desir'd the Bayliffe for present dispatch: which answers so slightly grounded, made the Bayliffe more suspitious, so that hee resolved to seise him till hee were better informed, and demanded his sword, which he rendred him willingly, and was lodged in an Inne in *Iuerdun*, with a guard set vpon him of foure Men, day and night. Among other causes of suspicion, being at *Villeboeuf*,

and seeing that he must returne, hauing no meanes to escape, his people being taken by the multitude, he called for a Candle, with which he burnt a long Letter writ of all sides; This being seene and demaunded what it was, he assured them that it was a Letter writ to *Madam de Criqui* his Kinswoman, to intercede for him to the King, and hath euer since to his end maintained it, and that he burnt it, least his name and quality should be knowne. The Bayliffe to assure himselfe, sent presently to *Geneua*, to haue some that knew *Terrail*. They immediatly sent one of the chiefe of the Towne, and a Souldier borne in *Geneua*, who had serued vnder *Terrail* in the Low Countries, & had giuen diuers aduises of this enterprise, which he had heard from *Terrails* owne mouth and sundry of his followers.

When these two arriued at *Iuerdun*, it was thought good, that the Souldier should come in vpon the sodaine, where *Terrail* was at Supper; which hee did, and late downe rudely; making no shew to see him, *Terrail* seeing him, was much troubled and changed colour, as if his heart failed him, fayning hee was not well, and required to haue his bed warmed, and withdrew (being much out of temper) with his ordinary Guard to his Chamber, whither he caused the Souldier to be called, and entertained him with very courteous discourse, to enduce him to confesse, if he were not sent thither to discover him: which the Souldier affirming, he began to talke strangely to him: That he knew not what they of *Geneua* had to doe with him? that he had had diuers aduertisements in *Chamberi,*

beri, that they laid wait for him at *Geneua*, & that they would make vse of this souldier to discouer him: that he would die a braue Knight as he was, & innocent. That he had neuer had to doe with them of *Sanoy*. Then he began to practise with the souldier to helpe him to scape promising him 1000. crownes, *Bastide* offred him presently 100. crowns down, which he refused. *Terrail* prayd him to come, & visite him earely in the morning: for hee had some great thing to tell him. In the meane time the Bailiffe aduertised of the truth, and finding it not good hee should discourse any longer with the souldier, sent to haue him brought to the Castle with his seruant, where they were seuerally lodged, and well guarded. After they knew at *Geneua* of his taking, they purposed to send to demaund him of the Lords of *Berne*, iudging that in their hands, they should hardly draw the trueth of the enterprise from him, and that mighty intercessions, and other meanes might easily saue him. They sent therefore to *Berne*, one of the Syndicks of *Geneua*, who being first heard by the Councell of 25. at *Berne*, hee showed them the great and iust grounds, that they of *Geneua* had to desire, to haue *Terrail* in their hands, that they had proofes and certainties of his practises, that the witnesses which they had at *Geneua* could not without danger bee sent ouer, that it was the common cause of both the enleagued States, that the enterprises threatned an inseparable blow, that those of *Geneua* in the like cases had deliuerd prisoners to the Seigniory of *Berne*, that very lately the Kings Garison had accorded a prisoner

7 nter enterprising the like action, and that it would be of great consequence to diuert all enterprisers, if they saw, they could not with safety come about *Geneua*, nor the territories of the King, or their Lordships of *Berne*. In the end the lesser Councell of *Berne*, finding themselues much perplexed, assembled the great Councell of 200. and the same things beeing proposed to them, it was with great clemencie concluded by generall assent, that *Terrail* should bee giuen into the hands of them of *Geneua* with his seruant.

The Ambassador of the King, resident at *Solurre*, much approoued this resolution, fearing that hee could not bee enough assured in the hands of those of *Berne*. The newes of this grant being arriued at *Geneua*, they vsed the extreamest diligence and dexteritie, to perswade the Brother of the seruant of the Tennise-court keeper of *Chamberi* aboue named, to goe to *Chamberi* and winne his brother to come with faire promises, and pretexts, which hee executed faithfully and readily; so that within three dayes he was at *Geneua*, and serued infinitely to the Disco-uerie. They also sudenly sent the Souldier which had knowen *Terrail* to *Monlori* hard by *Lyons*, where they knew there was a Souldier, who had bene sometimes, *Terrail* his Horse-keeper, and had heard the discourse touching the Enterprise of *Geneua*, and had oftentimes told it *Beleine*. (So was the name of the Souldier of *Geneua*.) But the Horse-keeper was not there, yet at *Lyons* the foresaid *Baleine* found a Souldier his *Camerado*, who assured him, that at diuers times

times the said Horse-keeper had told him all his business, whereof *Baleme* tooke an ample and expresse Copie by the hand of a publike Notarie. Monsieur du *Terrail* was deliuered to the Syndicke of *Geneua*, and conducted by a strong Gard of *Iuerdun* to *Morges*, a little Towne scituate vpon the Lake *Leman*, eight Leagues from *Geneua*, and there was put to the Gard of the Bailiffe of *Morges*, till hee should be sent for to *Geneua* by water, which stay of him was made by the two hundred, till they receiued a publike Acte vnder the Seale of *Geneua*, that this was done without consequence, or preiudice of their iurisdiction, of their proper grace and curtesie to their confederates.

Terrail was caried alone from *Iuerdun*, his Serui-
tour was left there, for feare they should Parlee, and
practise together. By the way hee entertained
the Syndicke with diuers desperate discourses; say-
ing from time to time, what Death will you put me
to at *Geneua*? He shewed that hee was much afraid,
they would deliuer him to the King; and for that
had changd his Name and fashion; and that his feare
was the King hauing him would keep him in the Ba-
stille. That if he were farre from him, he could make
his peace to his great aduantage & libertie, but now
he must stand at the deuotion of the King: Yet since,
he hath affirmed, that his greatest desire was, hee
might not fall into the hands of those of *Geneua*, but
might be sent to the King, hoping by his great Alli-
ance easily to make his peace. And since his com-
ming hither hath vsed greater cunning, giuing out
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7 that he dissuaded the Duke of *Sauoy* in the Enterprize of *Geneua*, but with so friuolous reasons that we easily knew, they were Discourses built but to deceiue. He lulled the Bayliffe of *Morges* so asleepe with faire words and promises, that they with Signeur *D'esdiguieres* sent to intercede for him to *Berne*, had free passage thorough *Morges*; and the Bailiffe of *Morges* refused to yeeld him to them, which should next Morning haue caried him by water to *Geneua*, and gaue *Terrail* good meanes to saue himselfe, if God had not left him destitute of his great courage and spirit. Hee had there also a very slender Gard, libertie to walke about all the Castle, meanes of Conference with whom hee would, and to write to his friends.

8 Hee got the fauour of the people there, by his good behauour, iustification, and bountie: So that if but twentie resolute men had presented themselves, he might haue bene rescued, and the easier, in respect the Passage ouer, was but three small French Leagues; and the other Bank was wholly the Dukes. 7 Nay, if he had had aduertisement but to come out of the Castle, he had beene safe by them of *Morges*, they were so much at his deuotion.

They of *Geneua* sent presently to *Berne* to complaine, and re-enforce their request to haue him, which was confirmed with great indignation, and threatnings against the Bailiffe of *Morges*. The intercession of *Monsieur D'esdiguieres*, was very faint, and conditionall, as that if hee had not enterprised any thing against the King, or the Lords of *Berne*, or *Ge-*

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neuá : which made those of *Berne* the lesse hearkning. The Bailiffe of *Morges* before the answere to those of *Geneua*, receiued peremptory commaund to deliuer *Terrail* presently, which he was constrained to doe. Since, the Bailiffe was seuerely cited by a day to appeare in person at *Berne*; and it is held, that he is put already from his charge, and shal be from his honours, there being many presumptions, and some confessions of *Terrail*, that he was promised tenne thousand Crownes, if he so wrought, that hee might not be carried to *Geneua*, or at least that his man might not come there : which the foresaid Bailiffe had promised him, hoping by the meanes of his great credite, and kindred to make it good. The Papists Cantons and the kindred of *Terrail* trauelled earnestly at *Berne* to saue him. Some of them ariued too late. The Lords of *Berne* haue carried themselves very affectionately and zealously, in this businesse, moued thereto chiefly by the braues of those of *Friburge*, who with the wind of this enterprise had blowne vp their valours, but since are become slacke and supple. *Terrail* was caried by water in a Frigate, armed, and by the way, one of the Seigniors of the citie which accompanied him, made him very gracious, and honorable offer; that if he would declare what might appertaine to the present assurance of their citie, he would promise him in the name of the Seigniorie, pardon, libertie, courteous vsage, and intercession for him to the King. But he still denied all, though much troubled, and perplexed: saying, that he was no man to be tortured, that they ought not

to offer him the racke; that he should then speake as well what was not; as what was. Being arriued at *Geneua*, the fourteenth of April, about midnight, they lodgd him in the Towne house well guarded. The next morning being sent for to the Councell, they againe bespake him very honorably, & opened vnto him, the power which they had to saue him, and recouer him to France; that hee should quit them of the paines of producing such things, as they had in their hands to conuince him, and should be aiding to himselfe; promising him all courteous entertainment, freedom, and mediation to the King. This was repeated more then sixe times. But stil he persisted to denie with great execrations, renouncing his part in Paradise, & in such manner, &c. So that in the end, it was told him, since hee would not bee good to himselfe, there was no more grace for him: and after that, made him answere as a *Criminall*, speaking to him rough, and harshly, which much amated him. Being confronted with the fouldier *La Baleine*, hee denied all euen to the least things, and where al apparance made against him. Three dayes after his arriual, His man was brought to *Geneua*, and presently led to the prison: whether *Terrail* was already remoued; In the morning the 15. of Aprill, *Bastide* was showne to the yong fellow of the Tennis Court of *Chamberi*, from whom came the surest intelligence: who marking with good view his countenance, pronounced assuredly, that this was he that presented the foresayd paper to *Terrail*: and had held with him the discourse aboue mentioned: The yong

yong man being asked apart what apparell *Bastide* had then on, told them, and *Bastide* confessed it to be true, but denied the fact of the paper, or any such communication, as also did *Terrail*. In the end, they perceiving the yong man constant to what he had said; it was resolved, that *Bastide* should be put to the torture, which was done. He bare two great ierkes of the strappado, at the third he confest all. This resolution of putting *Bastide* to the torture, was also founded vpon this reason. A Citizen of *Geneua* having by chance seene *Bastide* in the prison yard, affirmed that he had supped one night with the said *Bastide* in a village hard by, and that in the morning the hoste of the place told him, that this *Bastide* had drawne severall cards and plots of Fortification, before his departure; whereby he was knowen by the hoste for an Enginer: of which being then asked, he confessed it, and yet afterward in prison denied all stiffely. But now having confessed all, he was confronted with *Terrail*, who began to discover it. But *Bastide* persevered in his affirmation, and *Terrail* was presented to the torture, wher, with teares in his eies, he confessed the whole fact voluntarily, and receiued no touch. His confessions concerned *Geneua*, *Berne*, the French King, and the States of the Low Country; but those concerning *Berne* and *Geneua*, were onely made publike: The King and the States were presently aduertised of that concerned them. First, the said *Bastide* confessed that he was an Enginer, and had long served the Archduke; since, hee had giuen himselfe to *Terrail*, to execute his vndertaking. Hee

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had bin bred a Scholler, a braue fellow of his person, very subtile, and experienced in matter of fortification, and a cunning viewer of their weakenesses. He returned from his pilgrimage about foure or five moneths since, with his master. Passing by *Turin*, the Duke of *Sauoy* had conference with them both about the towne of *Geneua*, to the surprise whereof they offered him their seruice, and for the following of this designe resolved to visite, and take view of the gates, the guardes, the water port, and whole state of the towne: whereupon *Bastide* vndertooke the going into the towne, and hauing viewed it all; reported the whole Plot of the Town, what was reformed in the fortification since the last *Escalada*: Following which, *Terrails* old Plot was altered; nor could *Terrail* & *Bastide* agree on the meanes of the Enterprise.

Terrail inclining to the surprise of some port by *Petard*, or otherwise. *Bastide* vrged againe, that it was a matter of infinite hazard, for the great number of defences which are at the Gates, and the dilligence which they vse, and after some contest, the deuise of *Bastide*, was approued to take the way of the water port, which was not so well Guarded, and which being posselt by a competent number, they might easily come vp to the hart of the Towne, without daunger, and the Entrie well executed, *Bastide* made no difficulty in the carying of the enterprise, being an easie thing to Sease on the water port, by reason of the nearenesse, and he did aduise to cast themselues into certaine narrow Lanes vnchained and couered ouer, which hereafter the Towne hath purposed to close vp for preuention of the like.

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Terrail hauing heard all, yeelded himselfe to this aduise; and parted with *Bastide*, to passe himselfe ouer, to the other side of the Lake aboute at *Euian*, and staid there eight daies; informing himselfe particularly of all the water men, which vsed to *Geneua* in great numbers, about the disposition, the Guides, and defences of the water port, their searhing of Boates, and other things pertaining to the Nauigation of the Lake, and learned many defaults in the Guard, and to be more assured sent *Bastide* to *Morges* to the end, that taking passage in one of the *Barques* of *Geneua*, that on certaine daies goe thether to Market, hee might without suspicion at their returne obserue the whole state of the water port, and the landing place: which he so readily, and ably executed, that no man suspected him. Such a like spie was taken about two yeares ago, who had grossely tooke a view of the chaines; and being skared, and taken faltering in his answers, confessed (by Torture) that hee was sent to view the place, without knowing any other thing belonging to the enterprise, or so much as the man that sent him: for which he was taken to be one of *Terrails* party, and was hanged: since they haue re-enforced the port, with a ranke of double chaines, fifty paces from the first, but this would not serue to warrant against an enterprise like that of *Sluce*.

Terrail then, and *Bastide*, who returned to him by Land, hauing a new, viewed the water port by which he past, assured themselues of the certainty and facility of the businesse, and tooke vpon them, that they two would be the chiefe and leaders in the execution. The Project was this, *Geneua* hath on the North

side the Lake *Leman* which stretcheth it selfe in length at least fifty French Leagues; on the West side the Country of *Berne*; on the East side that of *Sauoy*; In the height of which there are great Mountaines, where growes great store of Wood, which the watermen of *Genena* vsually bring home for fuell to their Towne, in great Flat Boates, and chiefly intend this worke about the Moneth of May, in great troupes, the Wood being then dry which was felled the *Autumne* before. The designe of *Terrail* was to Sease foure or fve of these great Boates, and to lodge couertly vnder the wood piled for the nonce, in each Boate, a hundred, or two hundred of those men, which might come in without any suspicion, the counterfait watermen, being clothed in the habite of ours: As for the search shuld be made at their entry, they cared not for it, being determined to leap out all at once, and kill. For the Muster of those troopes it should be in the Valleyes of those Mountaines, remoued from the commerce of the people of *Genena*, & at the appointed time charge those Boates, with the rising and fauor of the Moone, which vseth to shine certaine dayes of that Moneth. *Terrail* was appointed to be in the first Boate, after the first onset was giuen, other troopes should bee ready of Knights and Gentlemen, which they might easily raise, vnder the pretext of the Mariage of *Monsieur Denemours*, which was to be celebrated at *Aneci* in *Sauoy*, sixe Leagues from *Genena*, and though the deferring and stoppe of this Mariage might cause some difficulty, yet they had such good incountry and opportunity elsewhere, that they held the Action for infallible

infallible. The easinesse was this, that they might imbarque secretly having the winde favourable to cary them in a quarter of the time, that was required by Land, the search was vsed to be made very negligently, and within the Towne they had nothing to care for, the said search being made a good while after the Boates were arriued, five hundred men or more brought sodainely into the Towne, might easily giue worke to all the people, if they were posselt but of a Canon at a Gate, and the water port, by which the Land-forces might enter in grosse and a flore. It was also designed in a season, when the Towne was vnfurnished of men by reason of the Hay harvest, and other businesse of the field, and in a time of the day very fitting, to wit, when they were all at Dinner, and the Towne very solitary. They haue also confessed since their condemnation, that their voyage through the Country of *Berne*, was to Spy the Country, to pursue their victory after their surprise of *Geneua*.

Terrail went into the Low-Countries to take his leaue of the Arch-duke, and bring away the rest of his goods, which he had there, and draw along with him a number of the best executioners, and watermen that he could get.

Terrail and *Bastide* agreed, especially in their confessions, whereby it appeared that the chiefe ground of their enterprise proceeded from them; against which they haue since giuen very good preuentions for our safety hereafter, and also *Terrail* drew, on a paper with his owne hand, a deuile to warrant any Gates against a Petard.

Terrail

Terrail requested that they would keepe him aliue
 betweene foure Walls, and that they would not cast
 away the Soule of *Bastide* by an extraordinary death.
Bastide disposed himselfe to death with an incredible
 magnanimity, hauing very Christianly quitted all
superstition, and liuely embracing whatsoeuer was
propounded to him of the pure Doctrine of the
Gospell. *Terrail* was condemned to bee beheaded,
 which was executed the ninthth of Aprill, *Bastide* to
 be hanged, which was done on the Friday following
 being the .21. both executions were done within
 the City, in the place of *Molard*. *Terrail* dyed ve-
 ry stoutly, without changing any whit his colour or
 countenance, and without any gesture vnworthy
 his life past; he desired that he might haue had his
 hands free: but the custome and feare of his courage
 denyed it, and gayned him great pittie. Hee shewed
 before his execution great piety, little mingled with
superstition, the apprehension of which things hee
put off, by the holy exhortations the Ministers made
him, which he receiued with a peaceable and gentle
Spirit, thanking God, who had giuen him time at
his death to be conuerted to him, and meanes to ob-
taine pardon for his faultes; in cogitation of which
he spent many teares, sighes, and prayers, dispising
the rest, as death, the shame of his punishment, and
the world, while they proposed to him comfort with
all grauity, honour and comiseration possible, his
teares made the standers by weepe, and forget all
sinister desire of reuenge, Hee made his will, and be-
queathed twenty Crownes to the poore of Geneva.
 The day before his execution they receiued Letters
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from his mother adrest to him, in which shee comforted him, and assured him of the meanes they made for him in the Court of *France*, speaking still of his innocencie. *Bastide* edified more by his death, yet was exceeding sorie, that Torture had made him *Terrails* accuser, of whose death hee knew and wished hee had beene rather torne to pieces by foure Horses. Therewas no intercession made for *Terrail* in *Geneua*, but by *D'esdiguieres*, who was allied to him by his wife deceased, he sent his Secretary *Mounſieur Tonard*, who vsed all meanes possible to haue changed the Sentence of death into perpetual imprisonment, but many vrgent reasons would not permit it, which they laboured to make the said *Mounſieur du Tonard*, and the Lord *D'esdiguieres* vnderstand by ample and honourable Letters. We vnderstood that the Mother of *Terrail* was comming, accompanied with diuers of the Nobility of *Dauphine* to mediate the same; But *Mounſieur du Tonard* meeting them at *Remilli*, told them he was already dispatched, wherevpon they returned, sending only to intreat his body, which was in like maner denyed for great reasons being already buried in the Bullwarke, where the heads of those were interred that were slaine at the *Escala-da*. He might haue made vse of the grace they presented him in the beginning, but he thought that they could not conuince him, relying on the promises that the Bayliffe of *Morges* made him, that his man should not be deliuered into their hands, as indeede he was staid at the instance of that Bayliffe, till they made a second voyage for him. After they had pro-

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ceeded against him with that exact severity, hee had no more meanes to saue his life, or bend them with importunity.

Solemne thanksgiuing was rendred for this deliverance throughout all the Churches, the Sunday following being the 23. of Aprill. The *Sauoyardes* are much confounded; Some of *Dauphyn*, skouring about *Genena*, haue vsed great treatates; but it is hoped, that when the King shall declare his will, it will stifle all these braues. There is good prouision had, against all future meanes of this enterprise, keeping full Guardes vpon the first, and second chaines; of them that search all the Boates, which from hence forth shall come in single, and halfe an hower one after the other, and the wood so piled, as one may goe in, and see all that is in the boate. In summe, it is hoped that this Mine is vtterly blowne vp. *Genena* hath recouered great courage; and got no lesse reputation with the king, the Estates, and all the Churches of *France*, hauing made a notable essay of the ready, and entire affection of their Confederates the Lords of *Berne*.

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